

Wensey J. VanDyke House
300 Delaware Street
New Castle, Delaware

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KENSEY J. VANDYKE HOUSE
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Owner: Arthur G. Logan

Date of Erection: 1820

Built: By Senator Nicholas VanDyke

Present Condition: Good. Recently repaired and painted.

Number of Stories: Main body of house, basement and two
and one half

Materials of Construction: Stone foundation below grade. Brick
above laid in Flemish Bond on front. Floors wood; interior walls
plastered; roof wood shingled; modern additions in rear and west
side; mahogany doors and good woodwork.

Other Existing Records: New Castle on the Delaware, by
WPA Writers Project; Early Architecture of Delaware by Bennett.

Additional Data: A good example of the post war (1812) style.
Note the massive double chimney treatment of the gable ends; the
decorative dormers on front roof; the ample basement openings;
the unique decoration of front shutters; larger window light
sizes; stone lintels with corner blocks; marble steps to front
entrance; brick cornice instead of the earlier type of wood cornice.

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